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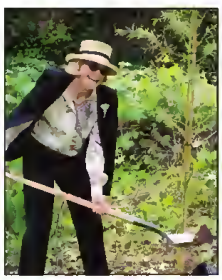

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Mumford & Sons go big on historic Commons

Mumford & Sons perform to a packed park at Butler's Barracks in Niagara-on-the-Lake on Monday.
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"We all came to Niagara-on-the-Lake to f---ing party!," yelled Marcus Mumford Monday night at a place where partying - and swearing - is usually shushed.

That would be The Commons in Niagara-on-the-Lake. Home of the historic Butler's Barracks. A beautiful, spacious patch of greenery nestled next to the Shaw Festival, Fort George, and across the street from artist Trisha Romance

Partying here is like showing skin on Downton Abbey - it's just not proper.

Which is what made Mumford & Sons' long-awaited show in the 'prettiest town in Canada' so unique. A rock show? Here? A recipe for a whole bunch of rich folks guarding their lawn.

The Commons has hosted concerts before - The Tragically Hip, City & Colour - but nothing like this: A huge arena band in its prime, bringing 30,000 people through the gates.

It made for some gorgeous visuals, with the massive stage framed by trees instead of buildings. No city lights, no traffic. An oasis hosting one of the biggest bands in the world.

And they played like it. Fresh off headlining Bonnaroo on Saturday, the British band brought their Grammy-winning grandeur to The Commons.

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Encore in order for big concert well–managed in small town

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Once the moody opener Lovers' Eyes gave way to the crowd favourite I Will Wait, the party Mumford promised was on. Beach balls bounced, the crowd stomped, and those big choruses sounded glorious in the Niagara-on-the-Lake night.

In light of the band's heavier sound on its new album Wilder Mind, dropping the banjo stomp for more guitars, it felt like two concerts at once. The folk rock staples from Babel and Sigh No More got the biggest crowd approval (The Cave earned its massive reaction), but the big-sounding tracks from the new album proved their worth live.

The surging rocker Ditmas and beautifully epic Hot Gates nudge Mumford & Sons even closer to Coldplay/U2 territory.

Mumford wasn't much for stage banter, but got some hearty cheers asking how many people crossed the border to see the stage.

What if, he asked, the Canadians and Americans decided to have a "big fight" tonight? Oh Marcus, they already did that here 200 years ago, just up the road.

"Canada's all right, isn't it?," he asked. You can guess the response.

These big shows certainly seem all right in Niagara-on-the-Lake. If they all go as smooth as this, there's no reason The Commons can't host more.

A heavy police presence kept everything in line, and while traffic in and out of town was slow, it was safe and orderly (police were at intersections as far away as Virgil)

After an historic night like this, everyone's walk, drive or bus ride home from The Commons felt uncommon. For one night, Mumford & Sons gave this little town a big show.

An encore is in order.

Traffic after event was 'chaotic'

Ray Spiteri
Postmedia Network

The show was great.

The traffic was a nightmare.

Those are the predominant comments coming from fans and organizers of the Mumford & Sons concert at Butler's Barracks in Niagara-on-the-Lake Monday night.

Niagara Falls resident Jayme Cunningham said sbe went to the gig, which she described as phenomenal.

When she arrived, Cunningham said there were "countless volunteers" assisting with parking, while there were ample security personnel and washrooms.

"The sound, the lighting, it was all amazing. I was extremely impressed from arrival until I got my in my car to leave," she said.

That's when it all went downhill, said Cunningham, adding it took her more than four hours to get home to Niagara Falls.

"It got chaotic."

Jarred Picher, field unit superintendent with Parks Canada, said he thought the concert was an "excellent event" for the town and for Butler's Barracks.

"Any time you have an opportunity to welcome 30,000 people to a national historic site ... that's impressive," he said.

"Everybody I've talked to said it was an incredible show and (Mumford & Sons) really enjoyed playing here as well."

Picher acknowledged there were "definitely some issues with traffic," as Postmedia Network received complaints from some fans.

"We will be meeting with the promoter (Live Nation) to discuss what worked and what didn't," said Picher.

"It was a bit challenging. We anticipated clearing the site a lot quicker than we did."

He said by 1:30 a.m., 21/2 hours after the concert ended, there were still vehicles clearing the area.

There were also public complaints about the amount of garbage left behind.

Picher said Live Nation had crews out cleaning the area Tuesday.

Jason Grant, of Live Nation, said the concert was "spectacular" and was the largest crowd Mumford & Sons has played to anywhere in the world.

The record is scheduled to be broken when the band plays in the Netherlands in a couple of weeks.

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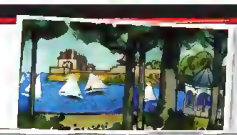

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Great turnout for historic military building fundraiser

Jennifer Chornley
Special to the Advance

The Friends of Fort George and Parks Canada joined forces and hosted a fundraiser to refurbish the Junior Commissariat Officers' Quarters (JCOQ), drawing 100 supporters Friday.

"Despite the rain, it was a great turnout and good way to kick off the reconstruction project partnership between the Friends of Fort George and Parks Canada," said Friends of Fort George president Tony Chisholm.

The JCOQ, accessible from Veterans Lane and sitting amongst trees between Butler's Barracks and Memorial Park, has been used in many ways by military and community organizations.

Parks Canada interpreters led tours of the building's interior and showed potential architectural options on how it could be transformed into a fully functional facility.

About six options were displayed, including one extending to the exterior, which has the capability of accommodating a 40-foot by 40-foot tent area and up to 150 people.

"This is definitely a multi-year project," said Elizabeth LeBlanc, communications officer with Parks Canada. "The initial priority is stabilizing the building's foundation."

LeBlanc said Parks Canada was working with an engineering company to establish a more definitive timeline to get the process rolling.

One of the unique restoration challenges is what era to restore it to, as there have been so many uses for the building over the years, she said.

"There are so many stories to tell about this site and it would be great to connect them with all future generations who come to visit the site," she said.

Chisholm said a "huge thank you" to the donors and to those who attended. "It's great to see the community involved."

Originally built between 1816 and 1817, the building is the oldest of the four remaining 19th century military buildings that comprise the Butler's Barracks National Historic Site.

Jim Alexander gives a tour of the Junior Commissariat Officers' Quarters interior at a fundraising event Friday.
Jennifer Chornley/ Special to the Advance

Show, organization 'phenomenal'

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"We have received rave reviews of the performance — nothing but positive feedback in terms of the show," said Grant. Unfortunately, the night was marred in some ways by traffic issues leaving the venue.

Grant said despite a detailed traffic plan, which was vetted by professional traffic consultants and local police, a number of motorists decided to take matters into their own hands.

"A number of people in the lots decided to take alternate routes, disregard signage, disregard traffic-control officers, which created bottlenecks that were impossible to solve."

He said a private individual even set up an unofficial parking lot on a soccer field adjacent to the venue, which created more havoc.

"We're not happy that some people have a bad taste in their mouth after attending such an incredible event, which itself was a smashing success."

Grant confirmed crews were brought on site to clean garbage left by fans in the area.

He said Live Nation messaged fans on the event website to be respectful of the park and surrounding area, but it's "impossible to control everybody's individual actions."

When asked if the traffic issue will make Live Nation think twice about having another show in Niagara-on-the-Lake, Grant said it's too early to say.

"It does hurt in some ways."

Janice Thomson, executive director of the Niagara-on-the-Lake Chamber of Commerce, said it was a positive event for the town. She said people were streaming into the chamber office on Queen St. all day with "happy questions."

Accommodations in town were fully booked, restaurants were busy and the streets were filled with young people, a different demographic to what is normally seen, she said.

The show, she thought, and the organization of it, were "phenomenal."

Jordan Williams, an employee at the Grill on King, located several blocks from the concert venue, said it was a "fantastic" day for business.

"The place was a zoo, the whole town was a zoo," he said Tuesday morning. "We're just recovering now."

Williams said he can't remember the last time the restaurant was so busy.

"It was like a 4th of July and Canada Day all rolled into one."

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VBA shows support for volunteer firefighters

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

Members of the Virgil Business Association want Niagara-on-the-Lake's volunteer firefighters to know they're valued and appreciated by the community.

Phil Leboudec, elected president of the VBA at last week's meeting, says members have heard firefighters are struggling with "a whole range of issues that need to be resolved," among them problems with equipment and their stipend for each call.

On the agenda of the VBA's Tuesday meeting was a discussion of how best to help firefighters, and let them know how much the people of NOTL value what they do, said Leboudec.

With five fire stations in town, the VBA voted to donate $5,000 - $1,000 to each station - to be spent on whatever upgrade each station association chooses, he said.

"It's up to the Town to make sure they have the best, most updated equipment possible. That's not what this is about," said Leboudec.

"The point of the donation is that the firefighters have been there for the Virgil Stampede every year, watching over the fireworks and keeping us safe, and helping out in many other capacities. We want to show our appreciation. As a community we want to recognize the work they do," he said.

"We stand behind them, we support them, and we appreciate the great job they're doing for the community."

Fire Chief Alex Burbidge is well aware of the issues that need resolution and says he is working on them, but that it isn't a quick fix.

"We're working away at it. It might not be working at the speed some people would like it to happen, but we're still addressing the day-to-day issues at the same time," he told the Advance.

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Drum down Sunday's sun

Niagara-on-the-Lake volunteers are preparing for the second annual Drum Down the Sun event this Sunday.

It's a summer solstice tradition at Port Dalhousie Lakeside Park and now also at Lincoln's, Charles Daley Park.

Drummers attending last year's event at Queen's Royal Park soon discovered you can't see the sun set from that beach, so this year it's being moved to Ryerson Park.

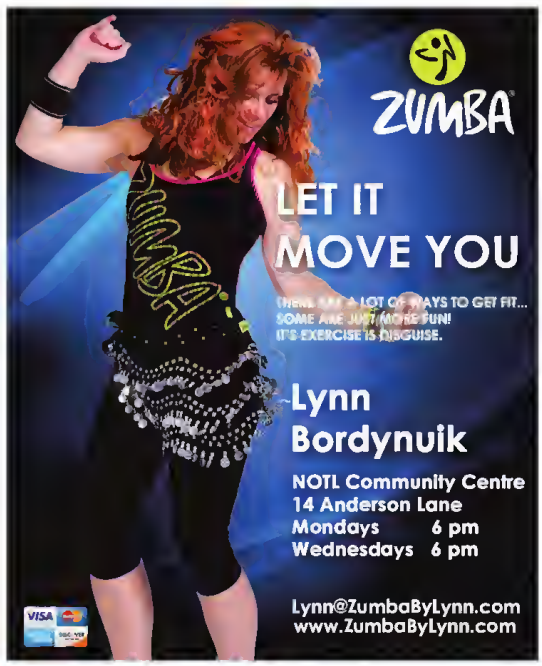
"We will conduct our celebration in the grassy park above the actual stony beach. There is a beautiful sunset to be seen from here," says organizer Carla Carlson.

It is also wheelchair-accessible.

If it rains, the NOTL event is cancelled, because there is no shelter.

The second Yoga on the Beach will be held with Diane Manjeet Kaur, of Shine on Yoga.

Kevin Richard Hotte from Circular Motion will be facilitating the Ryerson Park drumming circle.



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Popular auxiliary Shredit fundraiser on hold

Volunteers waiting for legal name change, charitable designation

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

The Niagara-on-the-Lake Hospital Auxiliary is going through a transition period, with plans to re-invent itself following the hospital's closure last March.

Auxiliary president Marilyn Hurlburt says the legal work has not been completed to give the auxiliary a new name and charitable designation, so fundraising is on hold until that as been done.

And until that time, the successful annual Shredit event is also on hold.

Since volunteers can't fundraise for an organization in limbo, the very popular - and profitable - Shredit event has to be put off, just for this year.

Any auxiliary money in the bank when the hospital closed will remain in trust until the new volunteer organization is incorporated, at which point they will work out how it can best be used for the benefit of health care in the immunity, said Hurlburt.

The auxiliary membership is in the process of identifying opportunities in the community to assist seniors, such as visiting them at home to gather more information on their needs, creating a NOTL Seniors' Guide to Services, and working with the NOTL Family Health Team to identify programs where volunteers can offer their support.

The work will begin when the incorporation legal work is complete, and those who are interested in being involved - men and women - can contact Laurie Harley at 905-468-5600, laurie.harley@sympatico.ca.

Volunteers are continuing the Lifeline service in NOTL in the interim, says Hurlburt.

Auxiliary members are very grateful to Meridian Credit Union for its contributions to the annual Shredit event - it's is a very generous sponsor, offering the site, staff who volunteer alongside auxiliary members, and providing a sponsorship honorarium, says Hurlburt.

There was a significant change in the Shredit Community Program last year, she said. Shredit had previously donated the truck, driver and operating expenses for the four-hour event, but last year there was no donation of the service.

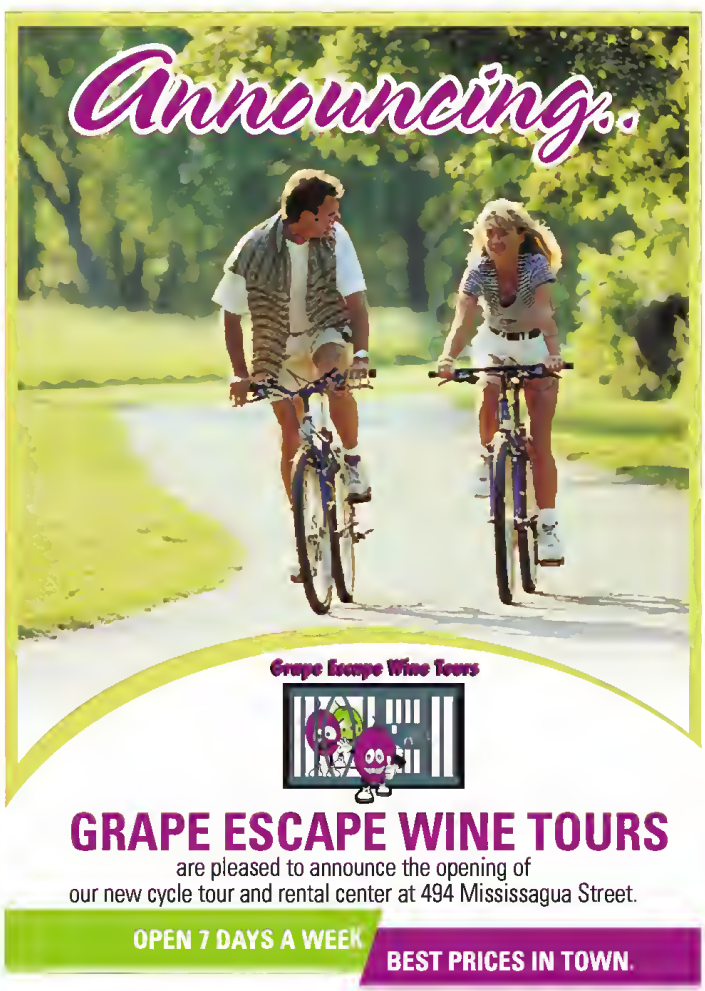
"The community is so supportive, we require two trucks for the event. Shredit would have been in jeopardy last year if Meridian had not come forward and sponsored the cost of the trucks," said Hurlburt.

"We look forward to continuing our very successful event with Meridian next year. Hopefully our community supporters can find some extra space in their homes to store this year's material until our 2016 event."

Shredit offers NOTL residents a chance to reduce theft and fraud by disposing of sensitive material and documents in a safe and efficient way, with the money going to a worthy cause that helps the local healthcare community.

Organizers hope those who have been saving and storing all those sensitive documents in their basement this year will keep those papers in storage and come back next August with double the load.

Marilyn Hurlburt hopes everyone will save documents until next year.



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Point of View

Senate rule changes doable - and soon

Let's score the victories we can right now. Senate reform is possible without delay.

Solving the big problems is going to take time and effort. In 2014 the Supreme Court ruled that changes like elections and term limits would require the approval of at least seven provinces representing half the population.

Abolition can only happen if every province agrees. We need major changes. But while we work towards those, we can make smaller changes that don't require so many cooks in the kitchen.

Politicians such as NDP Leader Thomas Mulcair are wasting their time acting like "abolish" is the only conversation we should be having.

We agree with Auditor General Michael Ferguson that the Senate needs "transformational change." But it also just needs a bunch of rules changed.

Right now, the board of internal economy can set hard and fast rules about spending and residency requirements that senators must follow.

So let's do it. Prime Minister Stephen Harper must put pressure on Senate leadership to implement these needed changes. None of this will happen if leadership doesn't come from the man at the top.

Why are senators allowed to opt for first-class seats? Put a rule in place against this.

This is one example of a revision that's quite small but saves money and has huge symbolic implications. Enact it without delay.

Senators and their staff have claimed many rules are unclear. We've heard that during the Duffy trial and we're hearing it again now.

Whether they're right or wrong, let's make sure they can't make that excuse ever again.

Nick Sibbeston, Liberal senator for Northwest Territories, thinks it's fine to expense his wife's trips to visit their adult children. He reasoned it was "to maintain the integrity of the family unit."

Let's make the rules clear that what matters more is maintaining the integrity of the public purse.

Mulcair needs to do more than always parroting "abolish." Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau needs to stop pretending there are no Liberal senators out there (they're just going by a different caucus name now). And the PM needs to set the example and lead on this issue.

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Good sport, good food and good music

While 30,000 people streamed into town and onto the Commons for Monday night's Mumford & Sons concert, 80 members of the NOTL Tennis Club had their own party just down the road at Memorial Park. They took advantage of the club's location to enjoy some tennis, a catered dinner and listen to the nearby concert. It was a memorable evening, says club member Hugh Dow, that would not have been possible without the help of the town's parks and recreation department.

Letters to the Editor

Are concerts on historic property necessary?

I still don't understand the addiction of staff at Parks Canada to facilitating Rock Concerts on The Commons, year after year despite protests from the local residents. People who live on King Street, Park Court and Charlotte Street, in particular are forced to put with noise, traffic and other disruptions each summer so the Parks can raise a bit of cash.

My husband, Ken and I built our house here on Park Court twenty years ago, shortly after we got married. We loved the pastoral green fields for long walks, and bicycle rides while other neighbours enjoyed the freedom to walk their dogs in the clean open air.

Every large and small urban city and town in Canada now jealously guards their green space where they can enjoy nature. That's why we choose to live here and since then I have talked to many of my neighbours who share our love of the peace and quiet. Why do you think we get so many tourists from large cities in Europe and the USA who seek a place they can relax?

Does Parks Canada so desperately need funds that they force their staff to build revenues no matter the consequences? I understand the real mandate of Parks Canada is to preserve the ecological integrity of lands under its stewardship. The reality is they welcome noise pollution and ripping up the grounds of the Commons through trucks and other large equipment every summer for more cash.

As I sit here captive in my home on Park Count on June 15, I've been listening to the boom, boom of the music since one p.m. and I know from the past, the noise will go on until at last midnight, when the last of the partygoers straggle onto buses or get in their cars and join the traffic jam on the Niagara Stone Rd.

We're older now as are many of our neighbours some of whom due to disabilities don't dare to leave their homes and enter these crowded streets with loud bumper to bumper traffic. I hear rumbling about the need to sell to get away from all this noise and I feel sad. Like me most of them came here from big cities for retirement and planned to stay here as long as their physical health would allow.

For Old Town residents, The Commons is their sanctuary where long walks allow them to meditate about the future and their dogs are allowed a small space of freedom to run free.

There are so many other concert facilities in Niagara which could more appropriately host these concerts. For both the promoter and Parks Canada, the chase after money seems to take the precedent over any concern for local residents and the long term health of the town.

Karen Gansel

Streets littered with garbage following concert

A drive through the otherwise pristine residential streets of the old town on the morning of Tuesday, June 16 revealed the true mark of the Mumford concert---a disgusting trail of garbage and beer cans on normally pristine lawns and boulevards.

And not surprisingly, no one from Live Nation or Parks Canada collecting it.

Rick Monette

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Opinion

Seeing is believing, right?

Consider This
Rick Mills

Seeing is believing. Or is it?

We want what we believe to be truth to somehow connect with at least one of the five physical senses - sight, hearing, smell, taste or touch. The old proverb goes, "the proof of the pudding is in the eating."

Between the time of Jesus being crucified and His appearing to the disciples for a second time, there was one who had yet to see Him reappear. His name was Thomas.

Upon hearing the other disciples' reports of Jesus' resurrection from the dead, Thomas asserted that he would only believe if he could see and touch the wounds in Jesus' hands and His side for himself.

A week or so later Jesus reappeared in the flesh to all of His disciples, but addressed Thomas immediately, saying, "Look, see my wounds and put your hands in them. Do not be unbelieving , but believing."

Scripture doesn't say that Thomas ever did touch the wounds of Jesus. But it does record him replying almost instantaneously, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus responded to Thomas, "Because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Blessed are those who have not seen Jesus in flesh and blood. I guess that would mean me. Deciding to believe was one of the more difficult decisions I ever had to make in my life. I was one of those who wanted irrefutable proof.

The older I get, rereading accounts of people like Thomas, hearing stories of yesterdays and how God works in the lives of so many today, I recognize where it was that I finally started to believe. In wounds, my own mortality.

An American psychiatrist and theologian wrote, "To be alive is to be addicted, and to be alive and addicted is to stand in need of grace." I like to reword it this way, "To be alive is to be wounded, and to be alive and wounded is to stand in need of grace."

The book of Isaiah records that there are two places where God dwells, in the heavens and in broken people. Those who have the courage to say, "I can't, but I choose to believe You can."

This is where I most often see God today - in places where people are willing to admit that they cannot do this on their own. Even believing.

At Life Abundant Niagara this Sunday, we have musician Randy Stonehill sharing in song and story about how God is found in the broken places. Randy is a Grammy nominated artist who will share the song, Broken Places, that he recently wrote with Rob Crosby, the artist who penned Martina McBride's hit song, Concrete Angel.

Randy will also share the story of his dad's fight with Alzheimer's and how a life-changing phone call and the wonder of God's touch still proves the power in believing.

Seeing is believing? Yes, when we choose to believe that as faithful as the stars are that appear at night, so is God faithful to His Word.

But then, that might make it more like "believing is seeing."

We'll save that thought for another time.

Be careful not to over-water after rain

Jean Cochrane
Happy Gardening

You have to admit - this is good growing weather, especially for weeds.

I could not believe the maple seeds had actually grown into little trees already with two or four leaves.

I still have to get my vinegar mixture on the patio, however some of the weeds are so tall I will be able to pull them out. Then I will have to be careful as I have pots with cuttings growing all over the place. I just do not feel organized.

Maybe things will improve after the Strawberry Festival at St. Andrews on Saturday. Stop in and say hi - I will be in Granny's Attic as usual.

I had good feedback from two readers this week. One was to tell me that you can get grass seed that only grows to four inches, available at some Home Hardware stores. The other was regarding my looking for a suitable cookie jar to use by my sink for collecting compost - I received one that looks like a miniature milk can, just perfect - so thanks to all.

The other thing that registered with me this week was the increase in the use of garden statuary - of a formal nature.

You see I have always had several pieces in my garden - a turtle under a large hosta leaf, a little boy holding a rabbit sits by a tree, a hedgehog (from the U.K.) and a fairy sitting on a toadstool reading a book, and I think that tells you all - I used to work with children and every garden had surprises.

I noticed some of the roses had their heads hanging down so I gave each a gentle shake to let the rain water fall out and the heads popped up again - looks much better.

I am inclined to use contrasting foliage rather than flowers for impact as they usually last longer and have more impact but my cannas as always are doing their 'dramatic' bit.

We have had lots of rain so do not over-water or you might have a 'floating' garden.

Happy gardening.

Garden of the Week

The King St. garden of Alex and Randi Topps features a border of colourful perennials and flowering shrubs surrounding a circular lawn. The placement of peonies, lilies and other aromatics close to the door welcome the visitor with fragrant wafts of floral scents. On one side of the driveway the herbaceous border is anchored by an attractive clump of purple nepeta. Well-placed stone walkways on either side of the property encourage guests to explore the backyard - a very gracious garden, say Communities in Bloom garden judges.
The garden also encompasses mature evergreens and the clever use of flowers creating symmetry and balance.
Just a reminder to gardeners - judges will be looking for a Canada Day theme for their July 2 judging.

Newark evolves to assist today's community

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

Newark Neighbours has come a long way since the days when anyone could wander in to the food bank and pick up a box of groceries or fill a garage bag with clothes for $5.

When two local women, Peggy Anderson and her friend Nikki Aitken, founded the food bank and thrift shop in 1971 to help families struggling financially, there was no other place local people in need could go for help

That remains true today - people living in Niagara-on-the-Lake can't access food banks in other municipalities, so without Newark Neighbours, there would be no assistance for locals, said board president Marieanne Seiler.

Also unchanged is Newark Neighbours' reliance on the generosity of local residents and businesses - it remains self-sufficient and community-funded, with no government support.

But it's changed dramatically in other ways - it has a board of directors, about 30 volunteers, and requires those in need to provide the same financial information that other food banks ask for - to receive assistance, NOTL residents must be living below the poverty line, as determined by Regional benchmarks.

And the assistance available trumps any other food bank in the region, says Seiler.

NOTL residents can pick up a box of food every two weeks, whereas in other municipalities it can be once a month or longer in between visits.

And with the money Newark makes from its thrift shop, and the generous donations it receives, it can buy what isn't donated, to ensure balanced food packages include meat, chicken or fish, bread and vegetables, she says.

Seiler is a volunteer who comes to her position at Newark with experience. For years she managed a Goodwill store in St. Catharines, but retired to look after her mother. She was born in Niagara-on-the-Lake, and when her mother was sick, would come to town and drop in on Newark Neighbours to shop, and "for a bit of relief," she says.

About three years ago, she stopped by before Christmas as boxes were being filled with holiday dinners, and offered to help.

"I became the potato lady - that was my job, to put potatoes in the boxes," she said.

"And here I am."

She has used her experience to smarten up the thrift shop, colour-co-ordinating merchandise, and making sure it's of good quality. Anything torn or stained becomes rags, and clothing that has been in the store too long gets donated elsewhere - mostly to be shipped to Haiti.

"Everyone's been very receptive to new ideas," she says. "It's a bit of a new look, clothing is a little more organized, and the criteria of what we are selling makes the quality a little better. It's time to modernize, to meet the needs of today's families."

And if there is one thing she learned during her years at Goodwill, it's that every community, every walk of life, has people in need, although you don't always know who they are, and some will hesitate to ask for help, out of pride or denial.

The important thing is to be there for them and provide what they need, she said.

And thrift shop, "where we offer good value and you can always find a treasure," says Seiler, is a good place to start, as she whips out two beautiful, fashionable dresses that could go to any event, even a summer wedding.

"You'd be amazed at what you can find here - you could buy a summer wardrobe for $20."

Dini Muste, Debbie Redekop, Hilary Bellis, Marieanne Seiler, Teresa Bell, Bonnie Turner and Pat Hicks are the new board members of Newark Neighbours.

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Willow plantings help estate live up to its name

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

Early photographs of the historic Willowbank Estate show it graced with several weeping willows on the front of the property as it sloped down toward Queenston.

The trees are long gone, but those who love and care for the estate are ensuring it will once again live up to its name.

On Friday, four willow trees were planted along the hill on the eastern side of the house as part of a plan to reintroduce willows to the property.

The willow tree is not native to the area, says Willowbank program co-ordinator Shelley Glica, but they were planted by the Bright family, brought in to assist with the picturesque landscape they were trying to establish.

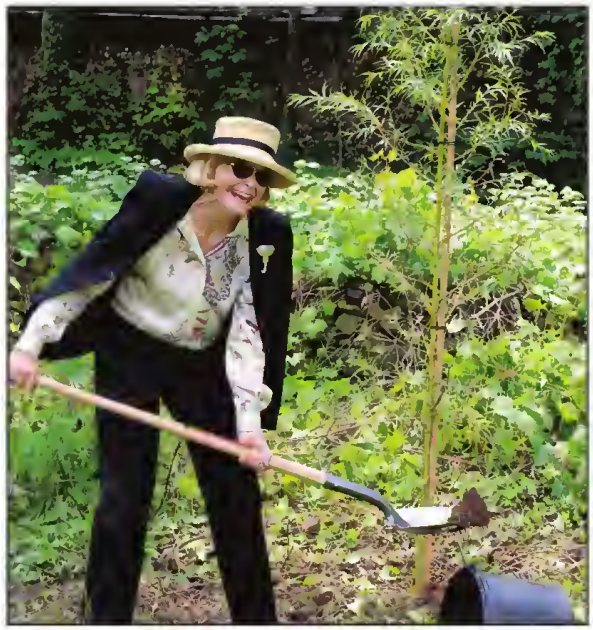
The first new, young weeping willow was planted Friday morning by Marie Jones, a Mohawk, born on a Six Nations Reserve, to represent the role of the First Nations in the history of the property.

The second was planted by a descendent of the Hamilton family who built the house, the third by Mary Urban, a descendent of the Bright family who owned the estate for almost 30 years.

She and her husband Tom were instrumental in the preservation of the estate, helping to finance its purchase with a large donation, along with the late Laura Dodson, who arranged a mortgage and with her husband Jim also provided financial support.

The last of the trees was planted by students of the School of Restoration Arts, representing the present and future of the property.

Vikki Broer, daughter of Mary Urban and chairman of the board of Willowbank, says she has fond memories of the property from her childhood. She credited Dodson for having the vision for the School of Restoration Arts and ensuring the estate's long-term sustainability.



Mary Bright Urban helps with the planting of weeping willow trees on the sloping front lawn of the Willowbank Estate in Queenston, a move to restore the landscaping to what it would have looked like in earlier days, when it was owned by the Bright family.

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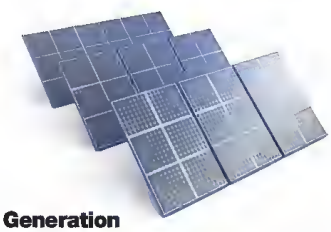

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Perfect berries expected for annual festivities

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

Bob Hunter is the man behind the strawberries at the St. Andrew's Strawberry Festival, says publicist Elaine Landray.

Along with other volunteers, she is nubbing strawberries for the many fruit items to be sold at the festival this Saturday, and hopes Hunter has performed his usual magic and tracked down the 300 flats of juicy, sweet berries needed, half to sell, the other half to make pies, crepes, shortcake and whatever other treats are on offer.

Hunter used to grow strawberries on the family farm, but hasn't for more than a decade. Since then, it's been his job to find strawberries that are just the perfect ripeness for the festival, looking for local Niagara fruit, which is smaller but sweeter than the berries from the U.S., says Landray.

This year, 2,500 jars of jam have been made ahead of time to sell at the festival, she says.

Landray, who began helping out with the publicity for the event 25 years ago, is joining about 30 women on an assembly line at Hunter Farms to nub the berries as Hunter drops them off.

"It's a lot of fun—we all enjoy it, and we get the job done."

Although the strawberries are the main attraction, there is also a popular silent auction, a used book sale, a bake table and plants for sale.

There will be barbecued hamburgers, hot dogs, back bacon on a bun, and fresh corn on the cob.

The festival will have a children's area with face painting, games and prizes to entertain the young ones. There will also be tours of historic St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church from knowledgeable volunteers.

There will be live entertainment throughout the day.

The festival takes place this Saturday, June 20 on the church grounds on Simcoe St. from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission is free.

Bob Hunter tracks down the best strawberries for the St. Andrew's Strawberry Festival.

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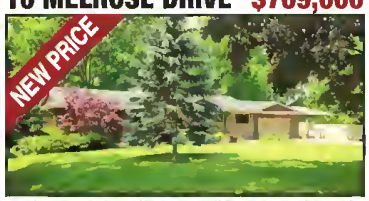

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Police investigating sexual assault after concert

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

On Monday night, at about 11:30 pm as large crowds of people headed home after a concert on Butler's Barracks in Niagara-on-the-Lake, the Niagara Regional Police sexual assault unit began an investigation into a sexual assault that occurred in the area of John St. and King St.

The 20-year-old woman who reported being assaulted is a resident of Niagara Region, says Det. Const. Leisha Holmes, and was making her way home after leaving the Mumford & Sons concert, which was attended by about 30,000 people.

The victim didn't know the male who is alleged to have assaulted her, said Holmes.

She couldn't release any more details of the sexual assault, she said Tuesday afternoon.

"We're just beginning the investigation at this point."

She says she doesn't know if the man police are looking for had also attended the concert.

He is described as white, 5'8" to 6'0", 160 pounds, thin build, 24 to 28 years old.

He has light-coloured short hair, and was wearing a green shirt and khaki pants.

He may go by the name of Nick.

The Niagara Regional Police Service is requesting anyone with information to contact the sexual assault unit at 905-688-4111 extension 5122 or 5100.

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Loyalist flag to be raised at cenotaph

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

Shirley Lockhart will be at the cenotaph on Queen St. in Niagara-on-the-Lake Saturday, proud to be a member of the Colonel John Butler Branch of the United Empire Loyalists.

She will be wearing loyalist garb, in hunter green - green for Butler's Rangers, she says.

She's a past-president of the largest branch of United Empire Loyalists in Canada, with more than 300 members.

United Empire Loyalists are those who lived in the American colonies in 1775, demonstrated loyalty to the crown, and settled in territory remaining under the rule of the Crown.

Soldiers who fought in an American loyalist regiment or Six Nations members whose migration was similar to other loyalists are also considered UELs.

There is a process to follow to qualify as a loyalist descendant, says Lockhart, one that includes proof of ancestry, and once that has been accomplished, members can use UE, or Unity of Empire, after their name.

"I use that every chance I get, any time I sign my name, even on my cheques," she says. "I'm proud of it."

There are also loyalist licence plates, and many people have them, she says. "They're proud to be descendants of settlers."

When Lockhart did her research, she discovered she has four loyalist ancestors - three on her mother's side and one from her father's family.

Although Lockhart lives in St. Catharines, where there is a Loyalist Day flag-raising event at the city's Memorial Park, she chooses to be at the cenotaph, which is much better attended, given that NOTL was the landing site of many loyalists, the home of Col. John Butler and the first settlement of loyalists, she says.

"It's so important to mark this site and its place in history. The town of NOTL included the loyalist flag in its new flag."

The loyalist flag will be flown for a week.

The service begins at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, June 20, with music from members of the Fort George Fife and Drum Corps. Following the flag raising, God Save the Queen and O Canada are sung, as well as the saying of the Loyalist Prayer.

Lockhart says many tourists and locals gather around the Clock Tower for the ceremony, and since many of those who attend are dressed in period costume, people wait around to ask questions and take pictures after the service.

On June 19, 1791, a constitutional act created Upper Canada, now Ontario, and in 1997, June 19 was proclaimed UEL Day in the province, she said. The flag-raising is always the Saturday following that date.

The United Empire Loyalists Association of Canada can trace its origins to 1898, when Captain John D. Servos organized a branch in Virgil. This branch did not succeed, and in 1905 another attempt was made, but became inactive during the First World War.

In 1914, the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada was incorporated by an Act of Parliament.

In 1921 the St. Catharines and District Branch was formed, and it has remained active. In 1992, it changed its name to the Colonel John Butler (Niagara) Branch, to honour the Niagara Loyalist.

Shirley Lockhart will be at the cenotaph Saturday to take part in a service and flag–raising celebrating United Empire Loyalist Day.

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Summer kickoff party at NDSS

Penny Coles
Niagara Advance

An opportunity to party at the former NDSS site should be nostalgic - in a good way - for those who are alumni.

And for those who aren't, it's a chance to see why everyone fought so hard to keep it open, and then to keep it in town hands once it was closed, says Tom Elltoft, a Niagara District Secondary School graduate.

Elltoft was able to tour his old high school recently, and was impressed with the condition of the building.

Other than the old pink curtains and the parking lot, which makes it look run down from the outside, the school is in remarkably good shape, he said.

In fact it looks very much the same as when he graduated in 1990.

"Even the bathrooms look exactly the same," he said.

"When I walked in, I expected it to be very different. Instead, I was amazed at how much it felt like the same school."

It's obvious that in recent years the board put off "beautification projects," he said, but the building has been well-maintained. "To my mind it's in really good shape. Take the old curtains out, paint a few areas and it would look fine."

The school property was originally purchased by locals and built by locals under the name of the Niagara School Board, the principal was essentially the chair of the board, and the trustees were local, he says.

That made for education decisions in the best interest of the community, which has changed since NOTL schools became part of a much larger, regional board, he said.

Elltoft remembers talk of closing the high school when he was there, until the decision was made to bring the performing arts program to Niagara-on-the-Lake. The buses started arriving from St. Catharines, students came and stayed, and the population went from about 400 students to 600. That was enough to keep the school open for almost two decades, he said.

But not forever.

"Until a community takes control of education, they're at the mercy of those who do control it," he said.

Elltoft has too much experience with school closures - his oldest son attended NDSS until his graduating year, when he was bused to Niagara Falls, and was very unhappy about his experience.

His middle son went from Parliament Oak, where he knew all his teachers and fellow students and where he was well-looked after, to a St. Catharines high school where he knew nobody and was extremely unhappy - so much so his parents took him out and put him in a private school.

And now Tom and his wife Kim must make a decision about their youngest, who attended Kindergarten at Parliament Oak during its final years. They're looking at alternatives to busing her to Virgil and Crossroads, said Tom.

But for one night, he's looking forward to putting those worries behind him and celebrating the future, which he hopes could be bringing education back to the former high school building, which has been purchased by the Town.

And by opening up the dance to everyone, alumni and those who have never set foot in the building, he hopes people will see what the Town has accomplished by purchasing the property, and support educational uses for the future.

There will be great local beer and wine at the Summer Kickoff event at the NDSS site this Friday, June 19. Music includes the Klaws Band for the event, which will also feature a community dance and silent auction in support of local education initiatives.

It's from 7 p.m. to 11p.m.

Discounted tickets are available in advance for $10 at NOTL Realty, UPS Store on Mary St., Simpsons Pharmacy on Niagara Stone Rd. across from the high school, or $15 at the door.

John Claus of the Klawz Band will be providing the entertainment at Friday's dance at NDSS.

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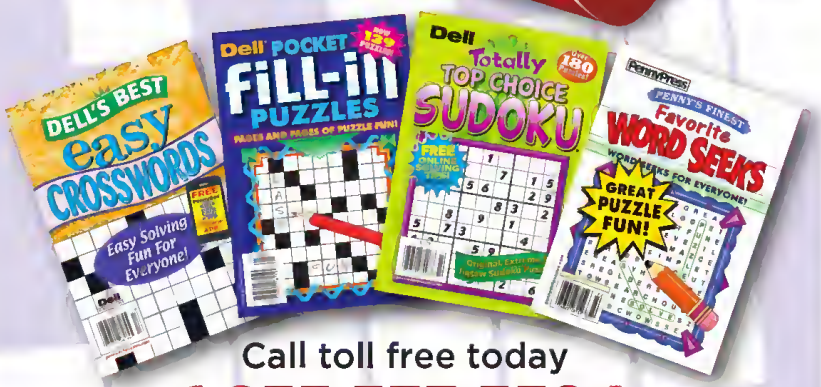

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How do we evaluate information about medical reports?

Randy Klaassen
Special to the Advance

The last InfoHealth presentation of the season, held Wednesday at the Niagara -on-the-Lake Public Library, addressed how to evaluate information in medical reports which flood print, TV and online media.

Sharing the presentation were Emerson Marinas and Irene Lum , second year medical students with Michael G. DeGroote School of Medicine, McMaster University, at the Niagara Campus located at the Niagara Health System St Catharines site.

Marinas began with a presentation of a case study of a report on the effectiveness of the shingles vaccine. While the report gave a very positive perspective on the vaccine, Marinas outlined how physicians determine the validation of such reports for individual patients by going over various claims being made.

He suggested we ask critical questions when we see studies of pharmaceuticals such as: "Where did these numbers come from?" "How do we know that they are reliable?" and "How do these numbers apply to patients?"

Marinas described how he and fellow students are being trained in what is called "Evidence-Base Medicine" which is "the way that physicians apply research to clinical practice."

While we've all seen expert TV doctors or books that describe certain treatments for various conditions Marinas suggested these sources are low in evidence to support their claims. In contrast what is important to look for are controlled studies, random trials with a large number of participants, and best are reports of a combination of multiple studies.

Lum spoke about what kind of research matters when it comes to a physician making decisions as to what type of treatment to offer a patient. She suggested we ask "How does the study apply to patients?" "How strong is the study?" and "What does the study show?"

Lum used the illustration of purchasing clothing on sale as a way of describing relative and absolute values, which are numbers often used in study reports. She suggested we think of the difference between two different items which are both on sale for 50% off. The 50% is a relative value. At the same time a higher priced item will have a much higher absolute value than a lower priced item. The numbers used in a report may or may not be describing significant value for patients.

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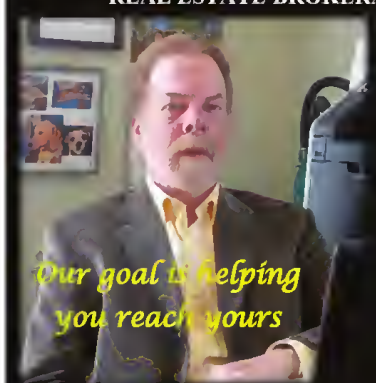

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Obviously we are all interested in whether or not particular treatments will help us with whatever ailment we are dealing with.

During the question and answer time Dr. Haider Saeed responded to the inquiry of opportunities for physicians to learn more about evidence-based medicine. He offered "there are multiple ways that can happen, yet there is so much research coming out all the time and the speed of how this information gets distributed is getting faster and faster, especially with social media and the internet we get hit with a lot of things being told to us."

He suggested using these various tools can help us to manage the pressures that come with so much information.

Host of InfoHealth, Dr. Jennifer Frendo, expressed appreciation to the presenters, and invited the public to attend lectures which will resume at the library Wednesday, Sept. 9 with a new line up of current health practices.

You can see the InfoHealth presentation on Cogeco TV, Fridays at 6 p.m., and Saturdays at 11 a.m. Each lecture is re-broadcast for four weeks following each talk, and then available for six months through Cogeco's On-Demand service.

Dr. Haider Saeed, with medical students Irene Lum and Emerson Marinas talked about how to evaluate drug studies.
Randy Klaassen

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Project Zero, a public education program with a goal of bringing the number of residential fire and carbon monoxide deaths to zero - has come to Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Carbon monoxide detectors have been mandatory in all Ontario homes since April, and by this October will be required in condominiums and apartments that have natural gas appliances.

This year, Project Zero is distributing 3,300 carbon monoxide alarms in 15 municipalities across Ontario, including 102 alarms for NOTL residents, says Fire Chief Alex Burbidge. And to help pay for those alarms, Enbidge Gas Distribution has donated $100,000.

Detectors are required near all sleeping areas, says Burbidge - if all the bedrooms are on one floor of a home, then just one detector is needed, but if you have a bedroom in the basement, you need one there as well. If there is a master bedroom in one wing of the house and kids' rooms in another, that would also require more alarms.

Volunteer firefighters have already started knocking on doors around town to ensure homes have a carbon monoxide alarm, and if they don't, to offer an alarm and assistance with installation if needed, said Burbidge.

And anyone who has questions or needs assistance can call the fire department.

Project Zero is educating people in the community and reaching out to those who need help complying with the new legislation, Burbidge said.

For more information or assistance, call the fire department at 905-468-3266.

NOTL fire chief Alex Burbidge, Enbridge supervisor of customer safety Henry Timmers and Lord Mayor Pat Darte gathered at the Old Town fire station Thursday to talk about Project Zero and the importance of having carbon monoxide alarms in all homes.

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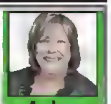

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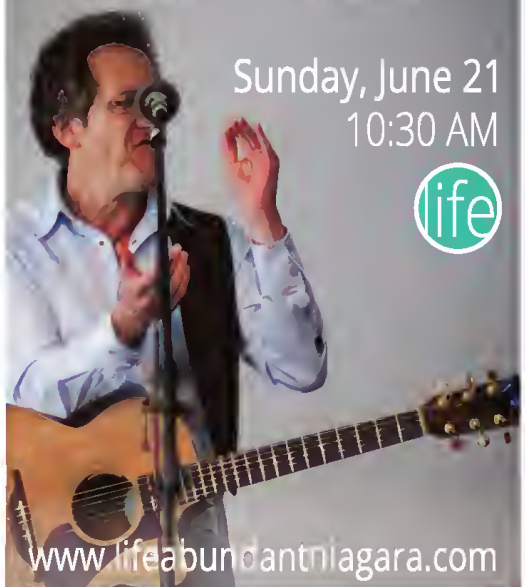

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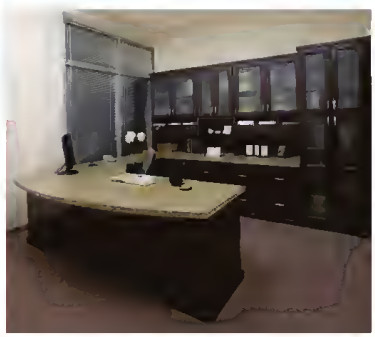

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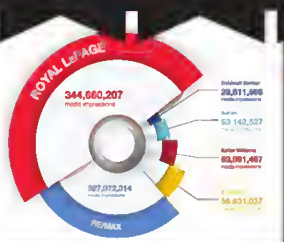

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BROWN, William H.C. (Bill) - Devoted husband of Helen, father of Geoffrey (1994) and Malcolm, loving brother of Betty in Dorset, UK and David in Ireland, passed peacefully on June 12, 2015. Predeceased by brothers Monty and Norman. Bill was an Educator with the Lincoln County Board of Education as a Teacher of French and Latin, a Language Consultant who was instrumental in developing Language Laboratories and the teaching of French throughout the school system (previously starting at Grade 9). He taught at Laura Secord Secondary School, St. Catherines Collegiate, he was both vice-principal and principal at West Park Secondary School (1983 - 1988) when he retired. Bill had a great interest in languages and their origins (as over 20 dictionaries in his library can attest to) and was always looking up any unfamiliar words to find their origin. He was in the RAF for four years & was responsible for admitting and training the "Young Entry" while stationed at RAF Cosford. He had many hobbies and carved beautiful birds and animals. Also he was a great fan of the Morse TV Programmes. In retirement he helped Helen operate a very successful Bed & Breakfast "The Trillium Guest House" in Niagera-on-the-Lake for over 18 years. Bill will be greatly missed, especially by Helen, his wife of 59 years. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Princess Margaret Cancer Foundation, 610 University Avenue, Toronto, ON M5G 2M9. A Service will be held at St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, 323 Simcoe Street, Niagara-on-the-Lake on Wednesday, June 24th at 10:00 am.

Obituaries

PATCHETT, Kathryn Florence (nee Ingram) - Beloved wife of Joseph Edmund Patchett, cherished mother of Joseph Allan Patchett (Sharon) and Anne Isabelle Bookbinder, proud grandmother of Joseph, Brien and Kevin Patchett and Ruth end Samuel Bookbinder. Kathryn passed away on Sunday, June 14, 2015 at Millennium Trail Manor in her 92nd year. She was a graduate of the Hamilton General Hospital School of Nursing in 1945 and the U. of Toronto Teaching and Administration course in 1953. With Joe's encouragement, she pursued her love of English literature at Brock University and obtained her Honors B.A. in 1987. Kathryn was a past president of the Women's Hospital Auxiliary at the Greater Niagara General Hospital and a lifetime member. She loved to embroider and was a long time member of the Embroiderers Guild of America. Cremation has taken place. Visitation will take place from 2-4 & 7-9 p.m. on Friday June 19 at **MORSE & SON FUNERAL HOME**, 5917 Main Street. A memorial service will take place on Saturday, June 20 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Mark's Church, 41 Byron Street, Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON. A reception will follow the memorial service in Addison Hall. A private family interment will follow the reception. In lieu of flowers, a donation may be made to St. Mark's Church or to a charity of your choice. Memories, photos and condolences may be shared at:
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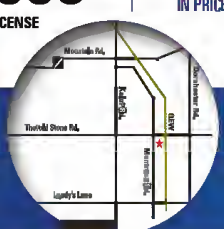

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Zac Dubuc and RJ McCormick added two goals apiece with singles going to Seth Ferguson, Zach Luis, Dave D'Agastino, Ryan Koch and Austin Wright.

Down 6-3 after a period in Owen Sound the T-Hawks rallied the final two periods for the win.

Gates Abrams and Wright each turned the trick with three goals; B. Ferguson added a deuce with singles to Zach Luis, S Ferguson, Isaac Vanderzalm Luc Chatelaine, and Midget call up Chris Weier scoring his first Jr. B goal.

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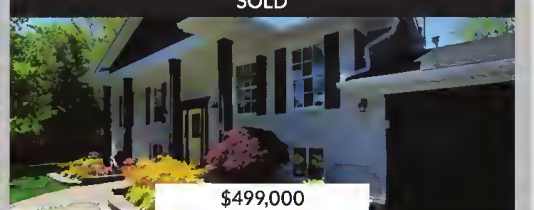

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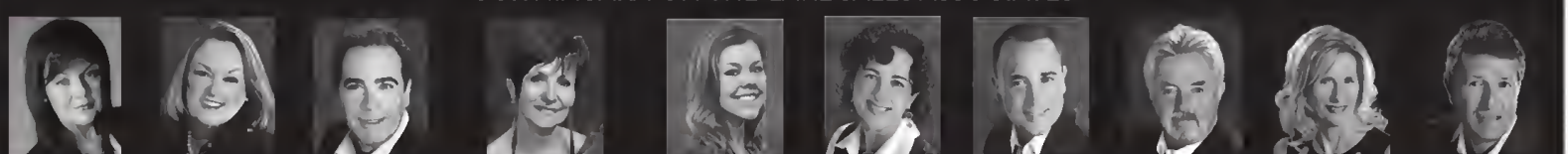

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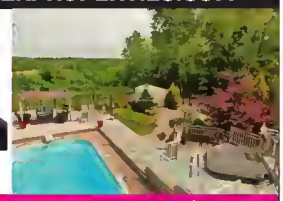

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